

## Maine Fishermen's Forum

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### Happy New Year from the Maine Fishermen's Forum!

It is time once again to make plans for the Maine Fishermen's Forum to be held on March 2, 3 and 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at the Samoset Resort in Rockport, Maine. On behalf of the Forum, I invite you to come and stay with us for the whole weekend. We have worked hard to ensure that this year's Forum provides quality seminars that will interest all members of our fishing community, and we plan to provide you with another banner year with our expanded Trade Show!

On Thursday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, the Forum is sponsoring Red Cross certified CPR and First Aid Training. There will be 2 separate courses (First Aid 8:00-12:15 and CPR 1:00-3:30). The cost for each course is just \$63.00 apiece and we expect that the classes will fill quickly. Please complete the enclosed form and send with payment to the Maine Fishermen's Forum. Reservations will be confirmed on a first-come first-served basis until the classes are full.

This year will be the last mailing of letters about the Forum; the costs are excessive, and we would rather spend the funds on enhancing the Forum. Therefore we will be using postcards and email to keep you informed about Forum events, starting in 2018. **You may rest assured that this information is for Forum use only; your information will never be sold or shared.** So please make sure to complete the questions at the bottom of page 3 in the enclosed mailing to update your correct mailing address, and your email address...these will be vital in getting information out to you next year! No email - no problem! We will also be posting on Facebook; (you can like us on Facebook and look for updates!).

Chilloa Young is our Forum Coordinator. Please feel free to call her at (207) 442-7700 or send an email to [chilloa@taxbracket.com](mailto:chilloa@taxbracket.com) if you have any questions.

As always, the Forum is the place to come and see your old friends, and maybe meet some new ones. I sure hope you can join us for the weekend, or at the least, for a day trip - the Forum has a lot to offer!

Very Respectfully,

Kristan Porter  
President  
Board of Directors

[www.mainefishermensforum.org](http://www.mainefishermensforum.org)

# 42<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL MAINE FISHERMEN'S FORUM & TRADE SHOW

MAR. 2, 3 & 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017 AT THE SAMOSET RESORT IN ROCKPORT, MAINE

As you know if you have been to the Forum before, there's never a dull moment all weekend long. It is also a relaxing getaway at just the time of year when you need it! We will be treated this year to the restaurant La Bella Vita, amazing brick oven pizzas from the Enoteca Lounge and a luxurious day spa! So make sure to attend this year! Come for a day or the entire weekend and bring your family! It's a unique event – only in Maine - and you are the people who make it happen!

**PLEASE BOOK EARLY TO GUARANTEE YOUR ROOM !**

## WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1

\* Check in anytime after 4:00 pm with the special **FOUR DAY PACKAGE** available.

## THURSDAY, MARCH 2

\* Check in anytime after 4:00 pm with the special **THREE DAY PACKAGE** available.

\* Red Cross Training (First Aid 8:00-12:15; CPR 1:00 - 3:30) - **SEE REGISTRATION**

\* **EARLY BIRD TRADE SHOW PREVIEW** 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

\* **OPENING SEAFOOD RECEPTION** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

\* **ENHANCED SILENT AUCTION DURING RECEPTION!** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Coming for the day? Tickets must be pre-purchased.

## FRIDAY, MARCH 3

\* Check in any time after 4:00 pm with the **TWO DAY PACKAGE**.

\* **TRADE SHOW** - opens at 8:30 a.m. and closes at 5 pm

\* **SEMINARS** begin in the morning & run all day.

(Check March issue of *Commercial Fisheries News* for schedule.)

\* **CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS** all day long and through the evening. \* Samoset facilities available.

\* **SPECIAL DINNER FOR CHILDREN.** Preregistration forms available at the Forum Table

\* **FRESH FISH DINNER** 6 pm Tickets must be pre-purchased

\* **AUCTION Preview and Registration** 7:15 – 7:30 pm

\* **BENEFIT AUCTION with MARCI TRAIN** 7:30 to ???

## SATURDAY, MARCH 4

\* **TRADE SHOW** - opens at 8:30 a.m. and closes at 5 pm

\* **SEMINARS** begin in the morning & run all day. (Check March issue of *Commercial Fisheries News* for schedule.)

\* **CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS** all day and through the evening.

\* **SPECIAL DINNER FOR CHILDREN.** Sign up forms available at Forum Registration Table

\* **AWESOME BANQUET DINNER & DANCE** 6 pm featuring DJ Chris Graves for Dancing!!!

## SUNDAY, MARCH 5

\* Check-out by 11 a.m.

\* Outstanding Brunch offered in La Bella Vita 12 to 2:30 PM

For more information or questions, contact Chilloa Young, Forum Coordinator  
at (207) 442-7700 or by email at [chilloa@taxbracket.com](mailto:chilloa@taxbracket.com)

**SEMINAR TOPICS FOR Thursday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, Friday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, and Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup>**

\* Red Cross First Aid and CPR Training (see enclosed order form) \* Herring & Bait Session \* Halibut Seminar  
\* Eastern Maine Skippers Program \* Groundfish Monitoring Amendment Hearing \* Scallop Management in  
Federal Waters of the GOM \* Open Forum with NOAA Leadership \* Coral Amendment \* Seaweed Industry in  
Maine \* DMR Lobster Science Update \* Happy & Healthy Lobsters \* Aquaculture Opportunities for the Fishing  
Industry \* State of the Ecosystem \* Submerged Transmission Electricity Cables \* Scallop Aquaculture \* \*  
Planning for Fishing and Community \* Giving Safety A Competitive Advantage  
\*Seminars are subject to change; check the website for updates\*

**THE MAINE FISHERMEN'S FORUM SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

The Board of Directors of the Maine Fishermen's Forum will be awarding scholarships to students from families involved in the fishing industry. The Forum Board hopes to give away a lot of scholarships! For students interested in applying for the scholarship drawing, please send a Self-Addressed Stamped Envelope to:

Maine Fishermen's Forum Scholarship, P.O. Box 288, Bath, ME. 04530.

**\*\* Applications are also available at [www.mainefishermensforum.org](http://www.mainefishermensforum.org) \*\***

**WE COUNT ON YOU! DID YOU KNOW THAT PART OF THE SAMOSET PACKAGE FEES DIRECTLY SUPPORT THE FORUM?**

**TWO NIGHT PER PERSON PACKAGE PRICE:** Includes lodging for Friday & Saturday nights, Friday Fish Dinner, Auction and Saturday Banquet Dinner/Dance Tickets, plus Bellman & Maid Gratuity.

**Single:** \$427.26 per person      **Double:** \$280.10 per person

**Triple:** \$238.32 per person      **Quad:** \$217.43 per person

**THREE NIGHT PER PERSON PACKAGE PRICE:** Includes lodging for Thursday, Friday & Saturday nights, Thursday Seafood Reception and Silent Auction, Friday Fish Dinner, Scholarship Benefit Auction and Saturday Banquet Dinner/Dance Tickets, plus Bellman & Maid Gratuity.

**Single:** \$620.41 per person      **Double:** \$399.68 per person

**Triple:** \$337.01 per person      **Quad:** \$305.67 per person

**FOUR NIGHT PER PERSON PACKAGE PRICE:** Includes lodging for Wednesday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday nights, Thursday Seafood Reception and Silent Auction, Friday Fish Dinner, Scholarship Benefit Auction and Saturday Banquet Dinner/Dance Tickets, plus Bellman & Maid Gratuity.

**Single:** \$788.56 per person      **Double:** \$494.25 per person

**Triple:** \$410.69 per person      **Quad:** \$368.90 per person

**\*REMINDER - FRIDAY & SATURDAY NIGHTS CANNOT BE BOOKED SEPARATELY\***

**Children under 16:** No need to buy a package for them; however, please give us their names and ages using the form below, and, if they will be participating, pre-purchase luncheon and banquet tickets for them using our form.

**BABYSITTERS:** Parents are encouraged to **NOT** take young children to the dance on Saturday evening. The Samoset will provide contact information for local baby-sitters upon request. **DINNER and a full evening of activities for ages 5 yr. & up have been planned for BOTH Friday and Saturday.** Sign-up sheets will be available at the Forum Registration Table and must be paid for in advance!

**NEW DIRECTIONS FOR MAKING RESERVATIONS**

1. To make reservations at the Samoset, complete the Reservation Form and then:

**Call 1-207-319-8066 to make a phone reservation**

**Or fax the registration form to (207) 442-7790 as soon as possible**

**OR email the application (credit card only) to Reservations: [res@mainefishermensforum.org](mailto:res@mainefishermensforum.org)**

**You can also complete the application; enclose a check for half the total amount and mail it to The Maine Fishermen's Forum, PO Box 288, Bath, ME 04530.**

**SEAFOOD RECEPTION, FRESH FISH DINNER, BANQUET & TRADE SHOW**

Those persons not staying at the Samoset may purchase meal tickets by returning the form below (with a check) to Maine Fishermen's Forum, PO Box 288, Bath, ME 04530. A limited number of meal tickets may be available at the Forum Registration Table on a first come basis. Those persons not staying at the Samoset may also pre-register and have your ID badge ready for pick up at the Forum Registration Table.

**Those staying at the Samoset have all of these included in their package.** Any extra meal tickets must be pre-purchased from the Maine Fishermen's Forum. Please order and pay for your meal tickets on the form below. A limited number of tickets may be available at the Forum Registration Table, but there is no guarantee.

Thursday, Mar. 2, 2017	Seafood Reception	\$25.00	# of tickets _____	\$ _____
Friday, Mar. 3, 2017	Fresh Fish Dinner	\$30.00	# of tickets _____	\$ _____
Saturday, Mar. 4, 2017	Banquet and Dance	\$40.00	# of tickets _____	\$ _____
			Total Enclosed	\$ _____

**Please make check payable to "Maine Fishermen's Forum" & mail with the information sheet below.**

**SUPPORT THE FORUM !!**

I would like to make a cash donation to the **SCHOLARSHIP FUND**. \$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed

I would like to make a **SCHOLARSHIP AUCTION DONATION** and receive donor recognition.

Donated Item \_\_\_\_\_ Donor Stated Value \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to make a **PROGRAM CONTRIBUTION** and be recognized in the **Forum Program**.

\_\_\_ **Full Page** - 5" x 8" - \$275 Place your own ad!

\_\_\_ **Half Page** - 5" X 4" - \$175 - "Compliments of" or you can provide your own copy.

\_\_\_ **1/4 Page** - 2.5" X 2" - \$100 Ad will read "Compliments of..."

\_\_\_ **1/8 Page** - \$50 "Compliments of..." *Available only to fishing vessels & individuals*

**Please make check payable to "Maine Fishermen's Forum" and mail with the information sheet below.**

**EVERYONE - PLEASE COMPLETE - ONLY POSTCARDS WILL BE SENT NEXT YEAR!**

In order to remain on our mailing list, **you must return** the information below or register at the event.

\_\_\_ I will **not be able to attend** this year but would like to remain on the mailing list.

\_\_\_ I will be attending and am providing the following information for name tags & to remain on the mailing list.

\_\_\_ Please remove my name from your mailing list.

\_\_\_ **Please ADD me to your Email list for FORUM EMAILS ONLY (never sold nor shared)**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Other Adults in Your Party (for Nametags) \_\_\_\_\_

Boat Name or Company \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Names & ages of children under 16 who will attend this year: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Was this form mailed to your correct address? \_\_\_\_\_ (If not, please change address for our records.)

Please check the occupation below that best describes your interest in the Maine Fishermen's Forum.

\_\_\_ Fisherman \_\_\_ Seafood Dealer \_\_\_ Service \_\_\_ Government \_\_\_ Education

\_\_\_ Equipment Dealer \_\_\_ Aquaculture \_\_\_ Other (please describe) \_\_\_\_\_

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## AMERICAN RED CROSS TRAINING REGISTRATION

**Thursday, March 2, 2017** at the Samoset Resort in Rockport, ME

Check the training you will be attending:

\_\_\_\_\_ First Aid Training 8:00 am - 12:15 pm    \_\_\_ CPR/AED Training 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Boat Name or Company \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_

*Please make checks payable to the Maine Fishermen's Forum*

First Aid Training     \$ 63.00

CPR Training            \$ 63.00

***Total for Both***        ***\$126.00***

TOTAL PAID \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION IS FEBRUARY 1, 2017**

Mail completed form to: Maine Fishermen's Forum, PO Box 288, Bath, ME 04530